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OHIO

WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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OHIO CROP-WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the state was 49.1 degrees, 3.4 degrees above normal for the week ending Sunday, April 8. Precipitation averaged 0.94 inches, 0.12 inches below normal. Growing degree days were 20 points below normal.

Reporters rated 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven day period ending Friday, April 6. This is 2.7 days more than last year and 1.3 days more than the 1996-00 average. Topsoil moisture was rated 2 percent very short, 23 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

Days Suitable

	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 st week of April
2001	5.0	4.0	9.0
2000	2.3	3.2	5.5
1996-2000	3.7	3.5	7.2

Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	2	23	68	7
Last Week	2	16	73	9
Same Week Last Year	2	16	61	21
1996-2000 Average	1	10	65	24

FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY APRIL 1

Reporters estimated that **Winter Wheat** is 4 percent jointed, this is behind last year’s schedule and 4 days behind the 1996-00 average. Thirty-seven percent of the **Oat** crop has been planted. This is 1 day ahead of last year and 4 days ahead of the five year average. Respondents estimate

that 2 percent of oats have emerged. This is 6 days behind last year and 2 days behind of the 1996-00 average. **Tobacco** growers have 51 percent of their tobacco beds seeded, this is behind last year’s 61 percent of tobacco beds seeded. Twenty-eight percent of tobacco beds have visible growth. Respondents estimate that one percent of the **Corn** crop is planted, this is one day ahead of last year and on schedule with the 1996-00 average. Approximately 6 percent of the **Potato** crop has been planted. This is 3 days behind last year, but one day ahead of the five year average.

Apples are 8 percent in green tip, compared to 53 percent in green tip last year. **Peaches** are 9 percent in green tip, compared to 49 percent in green tip in 2000.

Activities throughout the state include applying fertilizer, nitrogen to corn, and anhydrous ammonia to fields; plowing chiseling, discing, hauling manure and grain, wheat topdressing, spring tillage work, equipment maintenance and preparation, sowing oats and alfalfa seedings, seeding CRP filter strips, planting grasses, legumes, and transplanting tomato, cabbage, and field grown perennial flower plants.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS

Reporters rated 72 percent of the winter wheat crop in good to excellent condition. Pasture conditions were rated 86 percent in the fair to good condition. Some reporters mentioned that pastures are starting to green up nicely.

Livestock producers reported good to excellent conditions. Lambing and calving are going very well. Producers are stating that the livestock is doing well because of the warm winter and plentiful hay supplies. Some livestock producers are worried about foot & mouth and mad cow disease and the bad publicity for the livestock industry.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY APRIL 8

Crop	2001	2000	1996-00 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
Corn planted	1	0	1	NA	1
Oats planted	37	36	27	8	1
Oats emerged	2	8	4	NA	NA
Potatoes planted	6	8	5	0	NA
Tobacco beds seeded	51	61	NA	20	NA
Tobacco beds having plants up	28	21	NA	4	NA
Winter wheat jointed	4	18	8	1	NA

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY APRIL 8

PASTURE	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	6	39	47	6
Previous Week	7	10	40	37	6
Previous Year	1	8	29	48	14
WINTER WHEAT					
Current Week	1	3	24	62	10
Previous Week	1	5	30	55	9
Previous Year	0	1	12	53	34
APPLES					
Current Week	0	2	24	63	11
Previous Week	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Previous Year	3	2	20	62	13
PEACHES					
Current Week	0	2	28	61	9
Previous Week	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Previous Year	4	9	18	58	11
HAY					
Current Week	0	4	39	51	6
Previous Week	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Previous Year	1	6	27	53	13

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY APRIL 8

	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ^{1/}			
Region	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	47.4	3.8	1.43	0.51	1.43	0.51	45	19	45	19
North Central	47.1	3.5	1.46	0.55	1.46	0.55	44	18	44	18
Northeast	47.0	4.0	1.35	0.30	1.35	0.30	43	17	43	17
West Central	50.2	4.8	0.64	-0.44	0.64	-0.44	60	27	60	27
Central	49.8	3.4	0.53	-0.55	0.53	-0.55	60	23	60	23
Central Hills	47.8	3.4	1.20	0.13	1.20	0.13	49	18	49	18
Northeast Hills	48.1	3.1	1.29	0.23	1.29	0.23	51	17	51	17
Southwest	51.9	4.0	0.51	-0.66	0.51	-0.66	68	26	68	26
South Central	51.1	2.1	0.64	-0.44	0.64	-0.44	66	17	66	17
Southeast	49.0	1.9	0.72	-0.41	0.72	-0.41	60	17	60	17
STATE	49.1	3.4	0.94	-0.12	0.94	-0.12	55	20	55	20

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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